



THE CITY OF SAN DIEGO

M E M O R A N D U M

DATE: June 22, 2009

TO: Honorable Members of the City Council

FROM: David Jarrell, Deputy Chief Operating Officer, Public Works

SUBJECT: Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grants

The City of San Diego is scheduled to receive \$12.54 million in Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants (EECBG) through the formula grant process. Of this amount, \$250,000 will be used to develop an Energy Efficiency and Conservation Strategic Plan and up to \$1.25 million may be used to offset City administrative expenses associated with the management of the grant program over the three-year grant period. The remaining \$11 million is for specific projects and programs that will implement the strategic plan and are consistent with EECBG requirements.

An EECBG Ad Hoc Committee is being formed to allow public input and participation in the selection of projects that will receive EECBG funding. The Mayor's staff has developed a list of worthy projects that are eligible for these funds. Project submissions will be solicited from the public by the Ad Hoc Committee. We would also like to invite projects for consideration from your office. Following is an overview of the EECBG program:

Program Purpose:

1. Spur economic growth and create/retain jobs
2. Assist state, local and tribal governments in implementing strategies to
 - a. Reduce fossil fuel emissions
 - b. Reduce total energy use
 - c. Improve energy efficiency in the transportation, building, and other appropriate sectors

Program Objectives:

Recovery Act

- Spur economic growth and create jobs
- Transparency & accountability

Strategic Energy

- Save energy and reduce greenhouse gas emissions
- Invest funds to stimulate economy now and meet long-term energy goals
- Create comprehensive energy programs/strategies with aggressive goals and benchmarks of current performance
- Develop programs and projects that will persist beyond grant period
- Leverage funds with public and private sources
- Coordinate across regions, states and local jurisdictions

Eligible Uses of Funds:

- Primarily for energy efficiency and energy conservation
- Community-wide; not just municipal buildings and facilities
- Don't have to do capital projects, can do programs
- Prioritize activities that pay dividends year after year
- Funds must be obligated within 18 months, expended within 36 months

Limitations on the Use of Funds:

- Cap on administrative costs, excluding reporting: 10% or \$75,000, whichever is greater
- Cap on revolving loan funds: 20% or \$250,000, whichever is greater
- Cap on sub grants to non-governmental organizations for assistance in implementation of strategy: 20% or \$250,000, whichever is greater

EECBG Tentative Timeline (to be reviewed and approved by the EECBG Ad Hoc Committee)

June 22	Memo soliciting Council project ideas
June 25	Initial EECBG Ad Hoc Committee Meeting
July 2	Project submissions to EECBG Ad Hoc Committee
July 22	Natural Resources & Committee Meeting to discuss the EECBG projects
August 31	Tentative Council Hearing on the EECBG projects

To have additional projects considered for this funding, please forward to me any projects by Thursday, July 2. The standard application form is attached. If you have any questions, please contact me at (619) 236-6750.



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EECBG Activity Worksheet

Grantee: _____ Date: _____
DUNS #: _____ Program Contact Email: _____
Program Contact First Name: _____ Last Name: _____
Project Title: _____
Activity: _____ If Other: _____
Sector: _____ If Other: _____
Proposed Number of Jobs Created: _____ Proposed Number of Jobs Retained: _____
Proposed Energy Saved and/or Renewable Energy Generated: _____
Proposed GHG Emissions Reduced (CO2 Equivalents): _____
Proposed Funds Leveraged: _____
Proposed EECBG Budget: _____
Projected Costs Within Budget: Administration: _____ Revolving Loans: _____ Subgrants: _____
Project Contact First Name: _____ Last Name: _____ Email: _____
Metric Activity: _____ If Other: _____
Project Summary: *(limit summary to space provided)*